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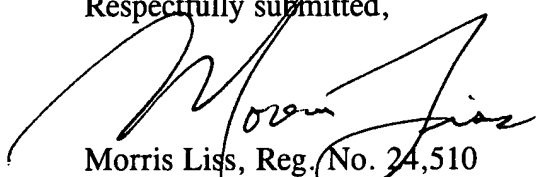
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Sir:

Listed on accompanying form PTO-1449 are a number of documents which may be considered relevant to the examination of this application. A copy of each of these documents is provided. It is respectfully requested that the Examiner initial and return a copy of the enclosed PTO-1449, and indicate in the official file wrapper of this patent application that the documents have been considered.

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